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Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated November 29, 2006, please reconsider the application in view of the following remarks.

A complete listing of the claims, to include any amendments, begin on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments follow on page 5.

Authorization is given to charge/credit Deposit Account 50-0996 (NXPS.219PA) all required fees/overages incurred by this paper.